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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS JONESBORO DIVISION

TRI STATE ADVANCED SURGERY CENTER, LLC, et al.

v. CASE NO. 3:14cv00143 JM

HEALTH CHOICE LLC, et al

INITIAL SCHEDULING ORDER

An appearance was entered by defendant(s) on June 24, 2014.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following deadlines and proposals are in effect:

1. RULE 26(f) CONFERENCE DEADLINE: September 2, 2014.

The parties are jointly responsible for holding their Rule 26(f) conference on or before the date specified.¹

2. RULE 26(f) REPORT DUE DATE: September 15, 2014.

Consult FRCP 26(f) and Local Rule 26.1 for information to be included in the Rule 26(f) Report. The **Joint** Report should be filed with the Clerk of Court.

3. PROPOSED TRIAL DATE: May 18, 2015.²

The case will be scheduled for **JURY TRIAL** before Judge James M. Moody Jr. commencing at 9:15 a.m. sometime during the week as set forth above in **Jonesboro**, **Arkansas**.

4. RULE (16b) CONFERENCE: Will be scheduled, if necessary.

Attached is a proposed Final Scheduling Order. If the parties oppose any deadlines contained therein, please indicate in the Rule 26(f) Report the conflict and proposed alternative deadlines. If additional deadlines are necessitated by the action, the parties are directed to list any and all proposed and agreed deadlines in the Rule 26(f) report. A telephone conference will be scheduled within one week of the filing of the Rule 26(f) Report, if necessary as determined by the Court, to resolve any conflicts among the parties. The parties are advised that the Court will not extend the motions deadline within 75 days prior to the trial date.

DATED: June 26, 2014

AT THE DIRECTION OF THE COURT JAMES W. McCORMACK, CLERK

By: /s/ Donna Jackson Deputy Clerk

¹It is the responsibility of the plaintiff to serve a copy of this Initial Scheduling Order on any defendant who makes an appearance after this order has been filed. Any party making a new claim after this order is entered is to immediately serve a copy on any new defendant(s).

²Counsel should <u>not</u> file a motion for continuance or send a letter to the Court if there is a conflict with the proposed trial date, but should indicate in the Rule 26(f) Report that a conflict exists.